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ENTITLED: User Interface

SUPPLEMENTAL DECLARATION
UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.131

Commissioner for Patents
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Sir:

This declaration is to establish diligence in the preparation and filing of the present application in the United States or other region permitted by Rule during a period prior to the effective date of United States Application Publication No. US 2004/0209641 A1 by Hong which was filed in the United States on 04 September 2003, and United States Patent Publication No. 2005/0085180 A1 filed on 15 October 2003 by Ballay et al., to the filing date, 09 December 2003, of the instant patent application.

Conception of the claimed subject matter prior to the 04 September 2003 effective date of Hong is established in Applicant's 37 CFR 1.131 Declaration dated 30 November 2005.

In support of this Supplemental Declaration, I, David S Noskowicz, undersigned attorney of record, declare and sayeth the following:

That the disclosure was pursued and work was performed expeditiously on the preparation and filing of the subject patent application (Atty. Docket No. CS23471RL) from a time prior to the effective date of Hong until the 09 December 2003 filing date of the instant patent application. The following correspondence with the inventors is attached supporting the averred diligence:

Communication requesting meeting with the inventors on 16 September 2003 (Exhibit A);

Communication of draft claims to inventors on 17 September 2003 (Exhibit B);

Communication of draft specification to inventors on 31 October 2003 (Exhibit C);

Communication requesting inventors' signatures on 10 November 2003 (Exhibit D); and

Communication exchange with inventors on 20 November 2003 (Exhibit E).

That the attached Exhibits are true copies of original business records produced in the ordinary course of business.

That all statements made herein of my/our own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

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